

### **Amendments to the Specification**

Please make the following corrections to pages 33, 44, 45, and 46 of the application.

Please replace the paragraph on page 33 with the following amended paragraph:

In an alternative embodiment, one or both of the layers may exhibit a high degree of surface texture. For example, as illustrated in Figure 8, the meltblown layer **32** may be a highly textured meltblown layer and the paper web **34** may be relatively flat. In such an embodiment, a spot bonding method may be preferred to firmly bond the layers at those points where the meltblown layer **32** and the paper web **34** contact while maintaining the texture of the meltblown layer **32**. Any of a variety of known spot bonding methods may be used, including those methods involving various adhesives and/or heat, without subjecting the composite structure to excessive pressure which could damage the texture of the meltblown layer **34 32**.

Please replace the paragraphs on page 44 with the following amended paragraphs:

Referring to Figure 14, one embodiment of a process for forming the scrubbing product **330** containing a multi-layered absorbent structure **336 334** is shown. As illustrated, a first fibrous web **338**, such as an uncreped, through-air dried web, is fed into the process in conjunction with a second fibrous web **340**. The first fibrous web **338** is adhesively secured to the second fibrous web **340** by an adhesive being emitted from an adhesive application station **342**. In this embodiment, the adhesive may be a hot melt adhesive or any other suitable adhesive that may be sprayed onto the web.

The first fibrous web **338** and the second fibrous web **340** are fed through a nip **344** and then fed into a slitting device **346**. The slitting device **346** cuts the fibrous webs into slits. A second adhesive application station **348** then applies an adhesive to each

of the slits. As shown, after application of the adhesive, the slits are turned and layered into an absorbent structure **336 334**. In this embodiment, the absorbent structure **336 334** includes 24 layers of a fibrous web.

Please replace the paragraphs on the top of page 45 with the following amended paragraphs:

...absorbent structure **336 334**. The cover material can be, for instance, any suitable fibrous web, such as a paper web, an airlaid web, a hydroknit web, a coform web, and the like.

After the cover material **356** is applied to the absorbent structure **336 334**, in this embodiment, the absorbent structure **336 334** is fed through an aperturing device **360**. The aperturing device **360** forms apertures into the absorbent structure.

Please replace the paragraphs on the bottom of page 45 with the following amended paragraphs:

In this embodiment, after being apertured, the absorbent structure **336 334** is then adhesively secured to a second cover material **358**. The second cover material **358** is adhesively secured to the absorbent structure **336 334** using an adhesive being emitted by an adhesive application station **362**.

After the second cover material **358** is adhered to the absorbent structure **336 334**, an abrasive structure **332** is bonded to the absorbent structure **336 334**. As shown, an adhesive application station **364** applies an adhesive to the abrasive...

Please replace the paragraph on page 46 with the following amended paragraph:

After the abrasive structure **332** is applied to the absorbent structure ~~**336**~~ **334**, the resulting laminate is fed through a calendering device **366** and then into a cutting device **368** which cuts the laminate into individual scrubbing pads **330**. The scrubbing pads **330** are stacked and enclosed within a bag **370**. The formed bags are then further enclosed in a carton **372** for shipping to desired locations.